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> PATENT 2091-0145P

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Applicant:

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

June 26, 2002

Washington, DC 20231

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 26, 2001 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-15, 17-21, and 23-33.

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The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of three (3) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for \Box responding to the Final Rejection. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

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Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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